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## New claims

1. A device for partitioning a plastic parison to give at least one planar-surface part (6), using at least one means of partitioning the plastic parison (3), wherein the device encompasses at least one draw-off means (2), pulling the partitioned plastic parison over the means of partitioning thus compensating the resistance by the means of partitioning.
2. A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the means of drive has a smooth, profiled, grooved, and/or coated surface.
3. A device as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein the means of drive encompasses at least one, preferably at least two driven rolls.
4. A device as claimed in claim 3, wherein the at least one driven roll is installed in the direct vicinity of the cutting device distancing the partitioned plastic-parison immediately from the cutting device after separation of the parison.
5. A device as claimed in claim 1, 2, 3 or 4, wherein the means of partitioning the plastic parison has sharp-edged, where appropriate exchangeable, cutting units and/or edgeless, preferably bar-shaped units.
6. A device as claimed in any of the preceding claims, wherein the means of partitioning the plastic parison comprises a body of triangular cross section which has been arranged transversely to the direction of extrusion.
7. A device as claimed in claim 5 or 6, wherein the body or the unit is metallic and preferably has a coating of plastic.
8. A device as claimed in any of the preceding claims, wherein the device has a holder for the means of partitioning the plastic parison and/or for the means of drive.
9. A device as claimed in claim 8, wherein the design of the holder is such that it functions as spacer for the planar-surface parts.
10. A device as claimed in any of the preceding claims, wherein the holder, the means of partitioning the plastic parison, and/or the means of drive is heatable, or is coolable, or can be heated or cooled as desired.
11. A device as claimed in any of the preceding claims, wherein the means of drive, preferably the driven roll(s), has been set into recesses on the means of partitioning the plastic parison.

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12. A device as claimed in any of the preceding claims, wherein the device has a means of guiding the planar-surface parts.
13. A device as claimed in claim 12, wherein the means of guiding encompasses guide rollers which may, where appropriate, be driven, and can preferably be moved transversely to the direction of extrusion.
14. The use of the device as claimed in any of the preceding claims for partitioning an extruded or coextruded plastic parison to give at least one planar-surface part.

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